

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

## Song of the Four Seasons.

When autumn comes  
The leaves fall  
And plums are ripe  
The broad-leaved trees  
Sing forth of harvest  
Where they grow  
Sing forth of harvest  
And my love's voice  
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## Autumn Fires.

Plumage autumn  
And all the autumn leaves  
The fire of autumn  
The fire of autumn

Sing a song of autumn  
Something about the  
Plumage autumn  
The fire of autumn

## Morrison—Page.

A large number of Richmond people attended the marriage of Miss Frances A. Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison, to Mr. J. B. Page, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Page, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison, on Wednesday, October 3, 1906.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Morrison, who officiated at the wedding. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. B. Morrison. The wedding party consisted of the bride, groom, bridesmaids, and best man.

The bride wore a white gown with a high collar and long sleeves. The groom wore a dark suit with a white shirt and tie.

The wedding reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison. There were many guests present.

The bride and groom were accompanied by their parents and other relatives. The wedding party was very large.

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## A Rain Coat at \$12.50

And It's a Sensational Value.

Colors: Oxfords, olive, black and striped effects; thoroughly waterproofed. Loose and fitted backs. These same Coats are on sale in other Richmond houses, but at \$15.00. The price here is \$12.50.

## Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry—Prof. Charles Elliot Norton.

No. 950.

## Edgar's Defiance of Edmund.

(From "King Lear.")

By WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE.

Other selections from this author, his portrait, autograph, and biographical sketch, have already been printed in this series.

## Draw thy sword.

That if my speech offend a noble heart,  
Thy arm may do the justice: here is mine.  
Behold, it is the privilege of noble honors,  
My oath, and my profession: I protest—  
Maugre thy strength, youth, place, and eminence,  
Despite thy victor sword, and three new fortune,  
Thy valor, and thy heart, thou art a traitor:  
False to thy gods, thy brother, and thy father;  
Conspirator against this high illustrious prince;  
And from the extremity upward of thy head,  
A most load-spotted traitor, say thou, "No."  
This sword, this arm, and my best spirits are bent  
To prove upon thy heart, whereto I speak,  
Thou liest.

This series began in The Times-Dispatch, Monday, Oct. 11, 1902. One is published each day.

Miss McKinnery will visit Washington and Philadelphia.

## Blow—Rosser.

The wedding of Miss Margaret Rosser, daughter of General Thomas S. Rosser, to Mr. J. B. Blow, son of Mr. J. B. Blow, was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blow, on Wednesday, October 3, 1906.

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## EX-PRISONERS GREATLY AIDED

Mr. Burnett Lewis, President of Aid Society, Outlines Important Work.

## HELPS HIM TO BEGIN RIGHT

Superintendent Sees Ex-Prisoner When He Leaves Prison Walls and Gives Every Aid.

At the last meeting of the directors of the Ex-Prisoners' Aid Society of Virginia, President Burnett Lewis, acting under previous instructions from the board, presented a letter outlining the work so far done and the purposes of the society and describing some of the gratifying results of its operations. Mr. Lewis' letter says:

"It gives me pleasure, in the first place, to state to you that the superintendent and board of directors of the State Penitentiary are in full accord with the work of our society and give us all the aid and help that they can give. At the first of each month we are furnished with a list of those men who are to be discharged from the prison during the month, and our superintendent is given permission to visit the prisoners, as often as he sees fit, in this personal contact our superintendent learns the condition, history, needs and purposes of each man and advises with him as to his best course in leaving the prison, and often he sees fit to take the work of building themselves back into good citizenship and usefulness. When the day comes for release the prisoner is held until our superintendent can see him, which is early in the morning hours."

The prisoner is made to feel from the moment he emerges through the gate that he has friends, and behind and with him the weight and help of an association of good citizens, ready to assist him in the trying work of reuniting his lost self-respect, establishing good habits and earning an honest living. If the released prisoner is to leave the prison with a clean conscience, ready to begin his life anew, he must have kind friends and help so long as he deserves them. Usually the men come out with enough money to provide themselves with the immediate necessities for a few days, but they are in need of getting rid of the prison debts."

## Has Meal With Him.

When they are penniless, our society, through the superintendent, provides for them, and almost always our superintendent has them to take a meal with him at some suitable and respectable restaurant, so as to make them feel that they are once more in touch with their fellow-men, and to relieve them of that sense of mortification and shame and of being apart from others.

Our superintendent also provides for the man's official prison pass for the same ticket held by any other traveler. This is a detail, but really very important, because it shows the prisoner that his friends are considering his needs, and relieving him of the shame of having to travel as a convict newly released.

When the man is to remain in Richmond he is taken into a private family for a few days, if need be, and is accompanied by a friend. Work is found for him, and every possible safeguard and assistance is given to him to keep him steadily at work, to get him in the habit of dealing honestly and lawfully, and to enable him to show his friends and the community that he is a good citizen.

Since our organization in February we have handled fifty-seven such men. Our means have been so limited that we have been forced to confine ourselves almost entirely to white men. All of these have been released, and have been employed by us. Of the whole number, six are steadily at work in Richmond, earning from five to good wages, and showing every disposition to be good citizens.

Sixteen are at work in other places, directly under our observation; one has gone to Danville, twenty-seven have returned to their former homes, and what have gone to places other than their homes without having previously secured employment. Of course, we have no authority over any of these men, and can do no more than advise them; but in the great majority of cases they accept our advice, and I feel that we have made a great deal of good work in this way."

Mr. J. A. Thompson has returned from a visit to friends in Fredericksburg.

Miss Inez Reed, of Newport News, is spending a week with friends here.

Mr. P. R. Taylor, of Staunton, is in the city on business.

Mr. W. M. Blake, of Rockingham county, is undergoing treatment at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Ginner Williams spent Sunday with friends in Martinsville.

Miss Emma C. Staples, of Richmond, and Miss Horace Dever, of Harrisonburg, have arrived in the city after a trip to Boston.

Miss Jessie Bell, of Mt. Sidney, Va., is spending some time with friends here.

Mr. O. D. Reamy, of Martinsville, has accepted a position in this city and will leave his home here.

Mr. E. H. Weaver, of Staunton, is visiting friends here.

Mr. W. W. Radcliffe is visiting her mother, Mrs. Amanda Rohr, in Harrisonburg.

Mr. M. B. Lewis, of Danville, is one of the medical students at the college this year.

Mr. Sidney Gates is attending the Lynchburg Fair.

Miss Kate Harrow, of Martinsville, will spend the winter in Richmond.

Miss Helen Beazley visited friends in Newport News recently.

Mrs. N. S. Morton and daughter are visiting Mrs. W. G. Hammer in Cabell Street, Lynchburg.

Miss Anne Kerans has returned from a visit to Staunton.

Misses Ida Garthright and Daker Horle have returned to their home in Newport News after a short visit to Richmond.

Mr. J. M. Gardner, of Synchronville, Va., has returned to the city to resume his studies at the medical college.

Mr. R. J. Slaughter has returned from a visit to his son, Mr. R. F. Slaughter, in Harrisonburg.

Mrs. W. B. Miller, of Staunton, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Mr. Edgar Barlow spent Sunday in Newport News.

Mrs. John W. Perley, of Charlottesville, is the guest of friends here.

Mrs. David Watt has returned to her home in Charlottesville after a pleasant visit to friends in Richmond and Lynchburg.

Miss Kathleen Bell, of Staunton, is the guest of relatives in this city.

Mr. W. J. Crump was a recent visitor to Charlottesville.

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